THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI DILIP KUMAR RAY): (a) to (f) The proposal was dc-ffcrcd by FIPB at its meeting held on September 30, 1995. However, it was subsequently approved.

Setting up of FPIs in private and public sector in Bihar

524. SHRI GYAN RANJAN: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of proposals under Government's Consideration for setting up of food processing industries in private and public sectors in Bihar; and

(b) the action being taken by Central Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI D1L1P KUMAR RAY): (a) and (b) One project proposal for expansion and modernisation of a . fruit" and vegetable processing unit lit Hazipur, District: Vaishali has been received from a private sector company, for grant of financial assistance under the Plan Scheme of the Ministry for providing assistance for setting up/expansion/ modernisation of food processing units.

The proposal envisages investment of Rs. 153.18 lakhs for expansion of processing capacity from 542.50 MT to 4170 MT, :is well as creation of additional facilities for -packaging and upgradation of technology.:

Action for scrutinising the proposal has already been initiated in this regard.

Industrial growth Centres

525. SHRI NILOTPAL BASU: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of industrial growth centres proposed to be set up under the new Growth Centre Scheme in the country, State-wise;.

(b) the total; funds allocated and released to each of these growth centres in the States; and

(c) by when these growth centres will be made functional?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) 71 Growth Centres spread over the country arc proposed to be developed under the new Growth Centre Scheme (list is at statement *sec* below)

(to) and (c) Each of the 71 centres would be developed at an estimated cost of Rs. 25-30 crores out of which the share of the Central Government is limited to Rs. 10 crores only and the balance of funds are to be provided by the respective State Governments. Till date an amount of Rs. 241.55 crores has been released as a part of Central assistance to the Growth Centres. Implementation part of these Growth Centres is the responsibility of the respective State Governments.

List of growth centres Central assistance released

SI. No.	N;imc of the Growth Centre	Central assistance released (Rs. in lakhs)
ANDHRA PRADESH		
1.	Hindupur . (Anan-tapur)	200
2.	Khammam (Khammam)	50
3.	Ongolc (Prakasam)	450
4.	Vizianagaram-Bobbili (vizianagaram)	440
	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	
5.	Niklok Ngorlung (East Siang)	50
ASSAM		
6.	Charitluar (Sonitpur)	50
7.	Matia (Gpalpara)	.50
8.	Sonapur (Kamrup)	

Sl. No.	Name of the Growth Centre	Central assistance released (Rs. in lakhs)
	BIHAR	
9.	Begusarai (Begusarai)	300
10.	Bhagalpur (Bhagalpur)	50
11.	Chhapra (Chhapra)	50
12.	Darbhanga (Darbhanga)	—
13.	Hazaribagh (Hazaribagh)	200
14.	Muzzarfarpur (Muzzafarpur)	50
	GOA	
15.	Electronic City (Verna Plateau)	524
	GUJARAT	
16.	Gandhidham (Kutch)	100
17.	Palanpur (Banaskantha)	100
18.	Vagra (Bharuch)	1000
	HARYANA	
19.	Bawal (Rewari)	1000
20.	Saha (Ambala)	50
	HIMACHAL PRADESH	
21.	Kangra (Kangra)	450
	JAMMU AND KASHMIR	
22.	Ompura-Lassipora (Budgam-Pulwama)	—
23.	Samba (Jammu)	600
	KARNATAKA	
24.	Dharwad (Dharwad)	1000
25.	Raichur (Raichur)	600
26.	Hassan (Hassan)	1000
	KERALA	
27.	Alleppey-Pathanmthitta (Allcppcy—Pathanmthitta)	268
28.	Kannur—Kozhikodc—Mallapuram (Kannur—Kozhikodc—Mallapouram)	1000
	MADHYA PRADESH	
29.	Borai (Durg)	668
30.	Chainpura (Guna)	100
31.	Ghirongi (Bhind)	1000
32.	Kheda (Dhar)	1000
33.	Satlapur (Raiscn)	435
34.	Siltara (Raipur)	1000
	MAHARASHTRA	
35.	Akola (Akola)	750
36.	Chandrapur (Chandrapur)	400
37.	Dhulc (Dhulc)	200
38.	Ratnagiri (Ratnagiri)	440
39.	Nandcd (Nandcd)	—
	MANIPUR	
40.	Lamlai-Napct (Imphal East)	—
	MEGHALAYA	
41.	Mcndipathar (East Garo Hills)	50
	MIZORAM	
42.	Luangmual (Aizwal)	50
	NAGALAND	
43.	Gancshnagar (Kohima)	50
	ORISSA	
44.	Chatrapur (Chatrapur)	50
45.	Duburi (Cuttack)	50
46.	Jharsuguda (Jharsuguda)	50
47.	Kesinga (Kalahandi)	—
	PONDICHERRY	
48.	Polagam (Karaikal)	50

Si. No.	Name of the Growth Centre	Central ashislarov rdcu.scd (Rs. in lakhs)
PUNJAB		
49.	Bhatinda (Bhatinda)	1000
50.	Pathankot (Gur-daspur)	1000
RAJASTHAN		
51.	Abu-Road (Sirohi)	1000
52.	Bhilwara (Bhilwara)	50
53.	Bikancr (Bikaner)	300
54.	Jhalawar (Jhalawar)	300
55.	Dholpur (Dholpur)	250
SIKKIM		
56.	Majhitar (Rangpo East)	—
TAMIL NADU		
57.	Erode (Periyar)	1000
58.	Nannilam (Thanjavur)	—
59.	Tirunelveli (Tirunel-veli-Kattabomman)	930
TRIPURA		
60.	Bodhjung Nagar (Tripura-West)	50
UTTAR PRADESH		
61.	Bachouli-Buzurg (Jhansi)	50
62.	Banthara (Shahjahanpur)	50
63.	Chaudharpur (Moradabad)	50
64.	Dibiapur (Etawah)	—
65.	Khurja (Bulandshahr)	420
66.	Mungra Satharia (Jaunpur)	450
67.	Shivrajpur-Padampur (Pauri-Garhwal)	----------
68.	Sahjanwa (Gorakhpur)	1000
WEST BENGAL		
69.	Bolpur (Birbhum)	50
70.	Jalpaiguri (Jalpaiguri)	50
71.	Malda (Malda)	50

Working Capital Constraints in Jessop and Co. Ltd.

526. SHRI NILOTPAL BASU:
SHRI MD. SALIM:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 7021 and Unstarred Question 1569 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 12th May, 1997 and 23rd March, 1995 respectively and state:

(a) whether a decision was taken in 1992 to dispose of the land and premises of Head Office of lessop and Co. Ltd. for meeting requirement of working capital and payment of statutory liabilities;

(b) whether procedural formalities as mentioned in answers referred above were attended to before giving an auction notice on 6th September, 1997 in newspapers;

(c) if so, the reasons for postponing the auction sale scheduled on 22nd October, 1997; and

(d) whether constraint of working capital still exists, if so, whether any accountability has been fixed for the delay in the sale of this asset inspite of clearance from all concerned including BIFR, if not, reasons thereto?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) to (c) Government approved the proposal of Jessop to sale head office building in 1992 to meet working capital requirement as well as outstanding statutory dues. It was expected that all the formalities would be completed by auction date viz. 22.10.97. Since all the formalities could not be completed, the auction was postponed to December 17, 1997.

(d) The Company is facing Working Capital constraint. However, the question of fixing responsibility does not arise as postponment occurred due to unexpected developments.